

Summary of the Darsul Quran on Surah Āl Imran [Family of Imran]: 62 (3) Delivered by Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad - Khalifatul Masih IV on 28th January 1998

62. **Whoso disputes this with thee after whatever has come to thee of knowledge say 'Come let us call our sons and your sons and our women and your women and our people and your people; then let us pray fervently and invoke the curse of Allah on those who lie.'**

Here نِسَاءَنَا وَنِسَاءَكُمْ ['our women and your women'] does not only mean wives but it includes their women. *The Holy Quran* also uses this word for unmarried females who do not menstruate. The Promised Messiah named 106 people in a List in 1896 Challenging them to the *Mubahila*. Their names are in [the book] *Anjam e Atham* which was published in 1896. It included the names of fifty-six clerics and forty-eight grand and reputable elders and keepers of the shrines. He offered the Challenge emphatically in full power and confidently saying that 'they would be destroyed in my lifetime'. He did not state that face to face combat was necessary. He fully opened his stance before them. The Challenge did not carry the condition of one year nor confinement to a particular place. By 1907 only 20 people from this list remained so $\frac{2}{3}$ died and the remaining also departed from this world in his lifetime and one cannot say about the few who remained if they had repented in their heart of hearts!

In accordance with the practice of the Holy Prophet ﷺ and the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) I first delivered the *Mubahila* on 10th June 1898 and it is now 1998. If God had deemed us as the liars during these ten years, then we had already cursed ourselves in that if we are liars may we be the accursed. The result is obvious that the blessings of the Almighty God and successes are descending upon us like showers of rain.

In yesterday's Discourse it was important to have recited the last part of Surah al-Fath [The Triumph] which was disregarded:

It is He Who sent His Messenger with the guidance and the Religion of truth so it prevails over all other religions. And sufficient is Allah as a Witness.

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah. And those who are with him are firm against the non-believers but tender among themselves and thou seest them kneeling and prostrating seeking grace from Allah and pleasure. Their faces bear the traces of prostrations. This is how they are depicted in the Torah. And their description in the Gospel is like unto a seed that sprouts forth its shoot becoming strong then growing thick and rising on its stem to stand firm to the delight of the sowers — that He may infuriate the disbelievers thereat. Allah has promised unto those of them who believe and act virtuously forgiveness and a great reward.¹

The Holy Prophet ﷺ has been promised a magnificent victory over all religions and He bears witness to it Himself and time will tell how perfectly true the testimony of Allah is. The last part of this verse speaks of the Ahmadiyya Community. This verse contrasts the glory of a people in Islam with the people of the Gospel and they are the Community of the Muhammadan Messiah. Matthew 13: 3 - 9 presents the parable of the sowing of the seed:

And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow;

¹ *The Holy Quran*. Al Fath: 29, 30.

And when he sowed, some SEEDS fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up:

Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:

And when the sun was up, they were scorched: and because they had no root, they withered away.

And some fell among thorns: and the thorns spring up, and choked them.

And some fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.²

The scenario depicts the servants of Muhammad and the efforts of the enemies to destroy them as they sprouting like vegetation and spread. Then it mentions some other people coming after who are the Ahmadis stating that there will be an abundance of callers to Allah in that age. They will sow the seeds of faith. The occasions of their delight would enrage the disbelievers. This subject is applicable to the present age. Ahmadis are continuing to sow the زُرَاع ['seed'] and can anyone show even a single day in the last ten years when the Ahmadis have stopped marching? The testimonies of these enemies themselves reveal that they have not been able to halt our advancement despite every hostile effort. These Maulvis run about seeking any little help from the governments [saying] 'Enough is enough, Ahmadis are spreading fast'. An Ahmadi representative of ours received a message from a high-ranking official saying 'For God's sake make things easy for us and allow us some rest'. This message was forwarded to me and I said that we would make one promise and that is that we would co-operate but we cannot ignore the truth of faith which Almighty God has given to us. So do not demand from us what we cannot possibly do.

As far as the Ahmadiyya Community is concerned we appeal that we be left to our own devices as we are. We are helpless in the face of the promise which God has made with us. We will adopt patience and wisdom. It is our promise that for our part we will never exhibit any fury. But God willing, we are bound to spread and go on spreading, this promise of spreading reaches its apex at لَيَغِيظُ بِهِمُ الْكُفَّارَ [‘that He may infuriate the disbelievers thereat’]. Now what can we do about that, they are destined to go on burning enraged. How could those who have already decided to burn ever be helped? This reminds one of the emotional incident of Hazrat Abu Talib when he gave refuge to the Holy Prophet. Abu Talib had thought that it was the shade of his refuge which was saving Muhammad ﷺ from the rage and fury of the disbelievers of Mecca. However, the Holy Prophet accepted the refuge of his uncle out of esteem and regard for him and was also grateful for it. Although they knew in their heart that it is only God who saves from the rage and fury of the disbelievers. So, when Hazrat Abu Talib challenged him, he invited him to remove that shelter [saying] ‘I cannot change my belief out of greed for their rewards and from fear of their threats even if they lay all their powers and delights at my feet’.

Today the *Mullahs* are enraged and infuriated at us for the same reason. A respectable non-Ahmadi Christian Officer who has retired began saying to me that we must tease the non-Ahmadis into fury and that is why they are so angered. I replied to him that ‘You are a Christian. Tell me what did Jesus do to enrage the public? Jesus taught nothing to be enraged at because all he taught was that if somebody strikes you on one cheek turn the other towards him.’³ A study of the history of every Prophet would reveal that the masses are always enraged at their successes’. So I explained to him that they are raging at the succour which comes from God.

² *The Holy Bible*. Matthew 13: 3 – 9.

³ *Bible*. Matthew 5: 39, Luke 6: 29.

How can we possibly forget the support which comes from God and accept what they say? The Holy Prophet ﷺ and his companions offered sacrifices before the whole of Arabia was conquered. However, they were offered voluntarily and God accepts this. Behold the status of Abraham who could have interpreted his dream differently than to prepare to fulfil it by choosing to offer the sacrifice with his own hand.

In the end the Ahmadis are promised victory and forgiveness. So, O Ahmadiyya Community Worldwide! Why should you be perturbed? You have been promised a great reward. The pinnacle of the work in which we are occupied is that the kingdom of the Holy Prophet ﷺ may spread in the east and west and north and south. As such we should devote our time to prayers so that God may show us these triumphs.